



South Staffordshire Sailing Club

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Good News Friday - 5th September

Headlines - a packed newsletter !

- Racing on Saturday afternoon - 2 races
- GP Open on Sunday - 1st Race 11:30 - Notice of race [HERE](#)
- No Junior Sailing on Sunday
- Sailors of the month - JULY and AUGUST announced
- Duty swap requested - details below
- Bosun's Blog returns
- SSSC branded - Rugby and Polo Shirts Order NOW - Diamond Logo
- Possible Level 3 course - please register your interest
- Bart's Bash - **Please register - WE NEED 7 more Boats** entered to count for World Record !

Upcoming Racing and Social Events

Upcoming Events & Socials	
6 Sep	Summer Series Race 12
6 Sep	GP14 Open Meeting Social Night
7 Sep	GP14 Open Meeting
13 Sep to 24 Sep	24 Hour Race The 48th WLYC 24
14 Sep	Hr Race
14 Sep	Frostbite Series Race 1
21 Sep	Frostbite Series Race 2
21 Sep	Bart's Bash 11:30 AM START

Full Sailing Calendar - [HERE](#)

Event Details and race timings - [HERE](#)

Sailors of the Month !

July - Annette Fitzpatrick

Recenty found at the rear of the boat and handicap has improved !

Nick Brandon

Never off (or in) the water...at SSSC and travelling everywhere on the global circuit + handicap improvements

South Staffs Rugby and Polo Shirts available to order

Due to popular demand Tony has organised to order Rugby shirts (unisex)(£20), Mens(£15), Ladies(£15) and Children's(£10) Polo shirts. There will be a South Staffs Sailing Club logo combined with a 60th Diamond motif. Available in a range of colours and sizes.

To order or for further information please see me at the club (I'm usually there around Sunday lunchtime) or email me on amjawh@googlemail.com

Amanda

Junior Sailing

Because of the GP14 open meeting on Sunday there will be no Junior sailing of any sort on Sunday.

Our formal autumn programme of junior training starts again next Sunday, 14th September. More details of our action-packed autumn programme next week

RYA Level 3 dinghy course

If there is enough interest a course will be run on Saturdays October 4th and 11th
It will build on the L2 skills and introduce elements of higher courses such as rudderless sailing.
Pupils will need to have achieved L2 or can sail to that standard

The cost will be £30.00
There will be a list on the noticeboard for interested sailors
It is open to club members only
Pupils will normally use their own boats but club boats will be available
Roy Alexander

Duty Plea for swap

Please can anyone help in swapping duties on the 27th Sept and the 8th November as commitments mean we cannot do these dates. Please reply to Andrew & Sharon Scott on 01785 614837 or text me on my Mob 07739242770.

Thanks in advance

Bosun's Blog (is back for a limited period)

The blog is back to highlight updates in the power and training boat usage - This week - THE RIBS.

There have been a number of changes to the RIBS of late.

All our power boats (courtesy of the RYA inspection) are now fitted with Fire extinguishers. The club policy on the use of these extinguishers will be on the notice board in the boat shed and also included in the club procedures and OOD instructions.

Both RIBs are now fitted with Bow and Stern mooring lines. Can you use these please (both of them) when mooring the boats for any length of time at the Jetty and only use the centre line for short term use when you are in the boat

Both RIBs are also fitted with battery isolator switches (Right hand side of Console) At the end of the day can you turn these to OFF please as this reduces the risk of flattening the battery when the boats are left. It also improves fire risks.

Please let me know if there are any other items that you would like to see changed or updated or if you have any queries on general club boat usage. Use the forum or e-mail me on bosun@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk
Steve B

Barts Bash - 25 Boats needed to qualify! <http://www.bartsbash.co.uk/>

The club is taking part in the World Record Attempt as part of the Bart's Bash event [on 21 September](#). We will be racing against 570 clubs in 50 different countries and competitors that include Ben Ainslie, Iain Percy, Paul Goodison and Jimmy Spithill.

We need a minimum of 25 boats registered to count towards the world record so we need everyone who is planning to sail on that day to

register to sail as soon as possible. We currently have 18 boats registered and have the GP14, Lark, OK, Firefly and Topper fleets represented (no Solos yet!)

How to register

- 1) Click here <http://www.bartsbash.co.uk/login-select>
- 2) Enter your details, club and boat (We are fundraising as a Club so when you register, please **DO NOT set up a separate justgiving page.**)
- 3) Donate your suggested £5 per boat entry fee here: <https://www.justgiving.com/SouthStaffsSailingClub>
- 4) When you donate add the name of the Helm who will be racing in the message.

As a club we are looking to raise £250 for the Andrew Simpson Foundation through a suggested race entry fee of £5 per boat, non-sailors can also donate via the Club' s Justgiving page or on the day.

Sign up now to be a World Record Breaker!

Summer Series Details

	Total Races in Series	Races to Qualify
AM Race Series	11	5
A Series Race	12	6
B Series Race	10	5

Saturday 6th September

	Race No	Start Time
A Series Race	12	1.45pm
B Series Race	10	3:30pm

Check out the forecasts for SSSC [Metcheck](#) or [XC Weather](#)

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